

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In the Application of)
Sture Helmersson et al.)
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AMENDMENT

Sir:

This Amendment with Remarks is submitted in response to the final Office Action mailed April 22, 2009, having a period for response set to expire on July 22, 2009. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the outstanding rejections in view of the following amendments and remarks.

Amendments to the claims begin on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 6 of this paper.